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# The Easterner

Eastern Washington University

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## EWU maintenance staff overwhelmed

Mike Ehrmantrout  
News Editor

EWU's lead maintenance mechanic says the continuing cuts in maintenance personnel are having a serious effect on his staff's ability to adequately maintain university property.

Jim Allers, the head of the carpentry staff at Eastern, says he is concerned that the maintenance problems around campus are getting out of hand, but he has neither the personnel nor the funds to deal with the situation.

"We're constantly playing catch-up," reports Allers. "There's no preventive maintenance being done because we don't have enough people to cover the problems."

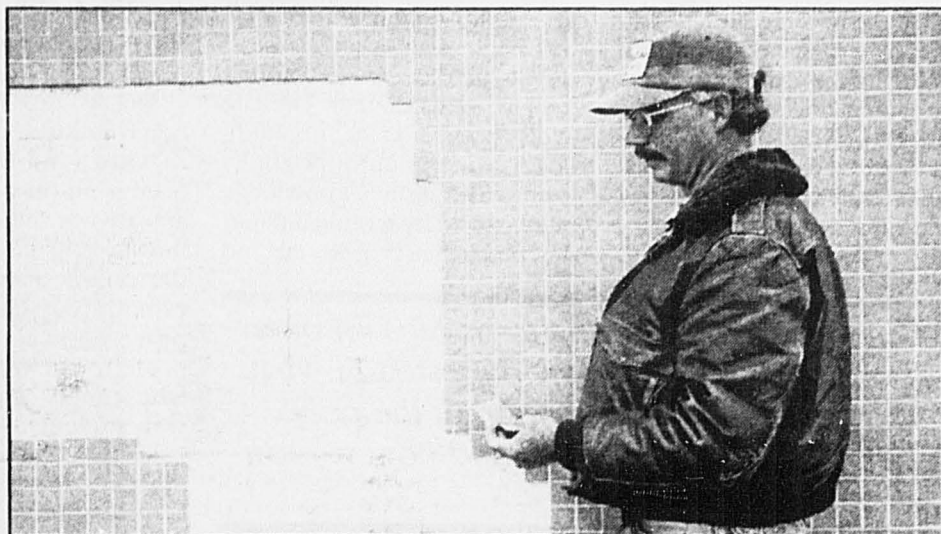
EWU administrators have recommended laying off a plumber, a painter, and one other classified worker not involved in maintenance as part of a

budget reduction plan, according to an August 14, 1995 memo to the EWU's Joint Labor Committee from Michael Stewart, vice president for business and finance.

The union is negotiating to try to keep the classified positions, according to Samantha Hopf, a member of the committee. Hopf said Tuesday that both sides in the labor negotiations had agreed to extend the negotiations until November 16.

Although the workers identified for possible elimination are not considered part of Allers' staff, Allers insists they are an integral part of the overall maintenance picture. "If we repair a leaking roof or a wall, we need painters to go behind us and re-paint the roof or the wall," Allers explains.

Allers indicates that campus roofs constitute one of his main concerns. He



Mike Ehrmantrout

Jim Allers, head of EWU carpentry shop, displays crumbling tile outside Dressler Hall as one example of maintenance problems at EWU.

points out that many of the roofs leak, which can cause property damage and even safety hazards. "The roofs on many of these buildings are so old that patching them does very little good," reports Allers. According to him, the roofs are so bad on the gymnasium building that leaks caused classes to be cancelled for a short time last fall.

Safety is a particular concern in the

gymnasium area, where roofs leak onto the floors and the indoor track. Allers worries that the wet surfaces could cause students to slip and fall.

"I like my job, but I want to be able to do my job without constantly having to put band-aids on major problems."

Another major source of concern for

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## Eastern lacking on-campus child care program

John Conway  
Staff Writer

Eastern Washington University is the only four-year, state-funded university in Washington that doesn't have an on-campus child care facility. Although Eastern does help provide child care for its faculty, staff and students at a nearby facility, the child care services offered at EWU are distinctly different from those offered at any other four-year state university.

The YMCA Day Care Center, located at 615 4th St. in Cheney is a privately licensed child care provider that in conjunction with EWU offers child care services to 100 children.

EWU's contribution to this effort is in the form of a financial subsidy, or management fee that amounts to between \$20,000 to \$40,000 annually, according to Carla Hays of Student Services. This contribution assists in paying the rent and maintenance for the facility and

salaries for some of the employees, reports Lisa Constantine, director of the YMCA center.

Every other four-year state institution provides child-care for its faculty, staff and students with an on-campus facility. Those facilities have become integral to the early childhood education programs offered at the universities.

"Many of our education majors work with the children in our centers to fulfill their practicum requirements and to gain experience that will benefit them in their future careers," says Mary Ellen Radziemski, the director of child care at Washington State University.

The WSU child care center provides part-time employment opportunities to 96 students, some of whom receive work study. An \$80,000 Service and Activities Fees allocation supplements the revenues generated by the center.

"Being located on campus provides many more benefits than just simple

child care," indicates Radziemski. "The convenience we offer and the additional attention their child receives because the adult/child ratio is much lower than at most private providers are big factors for many of the parents that bring their children here."

The WSU facilities currently provide care for 176 children. Child care is available for all ages, including infants. An accredited preschool program is also

offered.

The Brookline Day Care has been operating at Central Washington University since the fall of 1983. Except for EWU, every other state university was offering on-campus child care prior to this date. A preschool program is also available at Central.

"Our policy is to take students'

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## Debate continues over new graduation requirements

Steve Grasser  
Features Editor

Students entering EWU as freshmen this academic year confront a task not faced by previous students; they and all classes following them must complete 16 credits of "liberal arts enrichment" now being integrated into graduation requirements.

As the proposal now stands, three 4-credit courses which are being taught this year on a trial basis will be required in the junior year, organized around the following themes: Human Identity, The Individual and Society, and The Individual and the Natural World. Their senior year, students would take a "capstone" course. As currently conceived, capstones will be problem-based courses that, while not necessarily from a student's major concentration, will offer integrated applications of general education that will in some ways apply to the major.

Nearly everyone involved in what has been described as a "revolution-

ary" change at Eastern consider the goals laudable, but many are ambivalent about the reform's implementation in its present form.

Concerns include:

■ The possibility that fewer students will be able to matriculate in a four-year period, costing them additional time and money.

■ A potential drop in enrollment because of students' concerns about the time and money investment required.

■ The wisdom of requiring the courses to be taken only in the junior and senior years, when students are concentrating on courses in their major and minor disciplines.

Administrators and faculty acknowledge there are legitimate concerns about the potential effects the new requirements will have on students, but they maintain that the long-range benefits to graduates will more than

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# New lieutenant hired by campus police

**Anthony M. Bruner**  
Staff Writer

After an exhaustive personnel search and hiring process, the Eastern Police have a new Lieutenant. Extensive experience in law enforcement made Tom McGill, a large man with a commanding presence, a cut above the rest. He started work officially on Monday, the 16th.

McGill grew up in the Spokane area and went to West Valley High School where he was involved in athletics. He was offered a pro baseball contract right out of high school, but was unable to pursue it

until coming to Eastern. He has attended several training facilities in the state and received extensive law enforcement training at the Criminal Justice Training Center in Burien.

While serving as EWU's police lieutenant, McGill will be attending classes in the Spokane Center, pursuing a degree in Public Administration. He will begin classes after assessing his credits earned through the Life Skills Course. The Life Skills Course gives nontraditional students an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of the world by writing a paper describing their professional and

alcohol awareness curriculum.

"I think alcohol is one of the major problems that we need to address, the way it's presented to people—that it's all fun and games and no one ever sees the downside of it. It's a problem in society in general," McGill comments. "When kids go to parties and get drunk, then they come back and can cause problems and their actions influence other people."

McGill also hopes to bring other innovations to EWU.

"One thing we are going to have is an open door policy. I am always interested in what the students have to say about the police operation here on campus and how we can improve it."

McGill is concerned with how little contact EWU police has with students.

"I've got some ideas in changing that. Maybe having some bicycle patrol. I like the area and the campus. I had the opportunity to meet some of the RAs and some of the students when I was out here doing the DWI program and I got to like the area."

McGill went through a lengthy and rigorous process to get hired. After Vic Wallace retired, the school advertised the opening on and off campus and accepted applications. There were a total of 24 applicants. The screening process included an oral board, a physical test, and several other tests similar to those administered by other police departments in Washington State.

After the number of appli-



Anthony M. Bruner

**Lt. Tom McGill in his new roost at the Red Barn**

after a serious knee injury. McGill began his long career in law enforcement in 1967 with the Washington State Patrol with whom he spent five years working at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. He transferred back to Spokane in 1973.

McGill has worked in a wide variety of law enforcement areas including accident reconstruction and homicide investigation as well as served on the Governor's Executive Protection Unit where he received dignitary protection training.

After retiring he took over the Security Division for Spokane County and worked there

life experiences.

McGill will be celebrating his thirtieth anniversary next August. He has three children, two of which are students at Eastern. One will be graduating this winter with a degree in Criminal Justice and another is an Elementary Education major. His eldest is in sales.

McGill brings a new perspective on campus law enforcement. He previously taught an alcohol awareness course here at Eastern and would like to continue this in his new job. The course consists of a mock DWI arrest (usually staged in one of the dorms) as well as an

cants under consideration had been reduced down to 12, their application were reviewed by Ron Sperber, Director of Public Safety. He narrowed them down to seven.

"I looked for people with depth of experience and who had been a police officer in the state of Washington. I then made

up a review board representing all the constituents. This committee consisted of representatives from the students, the classified staff, the faculty and from the administrators."

This committee reviewed the applicants and recommended only one to Sperber. That singular applicant was Tom McGill.

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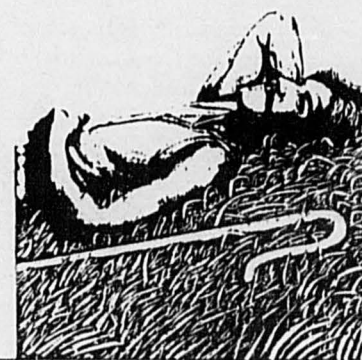
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# Wallace says goodbye to EWU

Mike Ehrmantrout  
News Editor

EWU Police Lieutenant Vic Wallace is retiring after 21 years of sterling service to the Eastern community.

Wallace has been a fixture at EWU, where he began his civilian police career in 1974 as a sergeant and rose to the rank of lieutenant in 1992. He was the first black commissioned officer hired at EWU. Before that, Wallace spent 20 years in the military, which is where he began his police career, serving as a member of the military police.

Wallace's philosophy toward police work reveals a lot about the man.

"I always tried to treat people with dignity and respect," said Wallace. "Just like I would want a member of my own family to be treated."

Wallace illustrated his attitude with an anecdote about a student he once arrested for disorderly conduct. The student addressed Wallace with racial epithets. "I just told him 'My name is Wallace,' and tried to handle the situation in a calm manner," said Wallace.

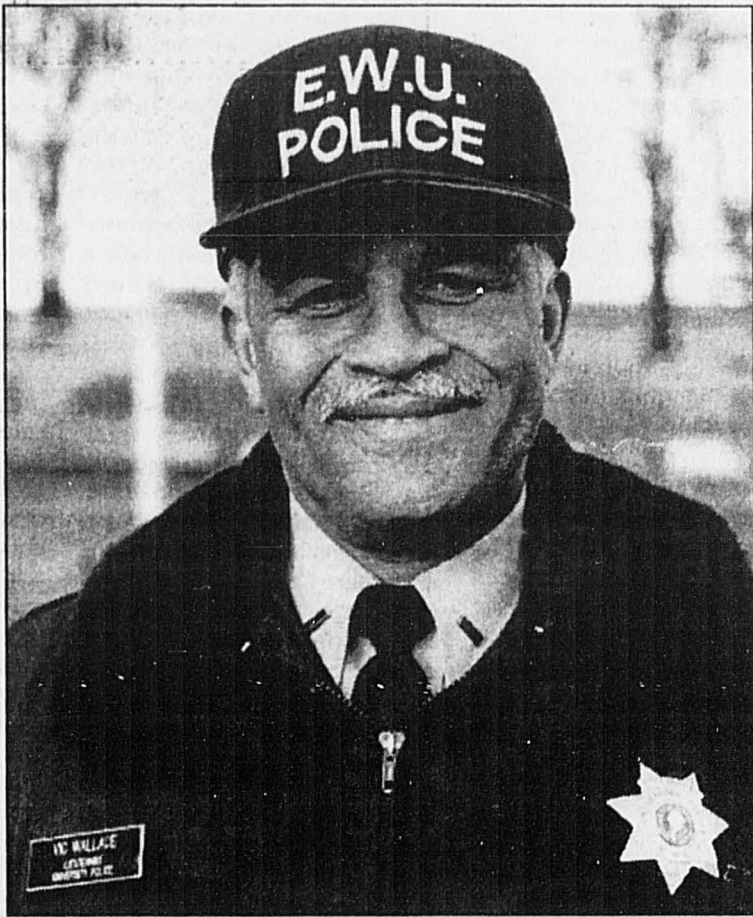
After the incident, Wallace recalled, the young man became a good friend and learned to respect Wallace and other police officers.

The young man's mother called Wallace on a number of occasions and thanked him for being a good influence on her son.

"I had a lot of cases like that that turned out to be very rewarding," Wallace said.

Wallace's retirement will be effective Oct. 31, and he is helping ease the transition for the new Lieutenant, Tom McGill.

EWU Director of Public Safety Ron Sperber said Tuesday that Wallace will be missed here at Eastern. "Lt. Wallace has served this university well for 21 years," said Sperber. "He is well-liked on campus because he always had a smile, was very personable and worked well with ev-



Michael Smith

Lt. Vic Wallace retires after 21 years of service to Eastern

everyone on campus."

Wallace plans to spend time with his family, which includes his wife, seven children and numerous grandchildren, and do a lot of fishing from his new fishing boat.

Wallace has worked as a volunteer with school crossing guards near his home in Spokane, and said he'll continue to

serve the community in this and other ways.

"I'm going to miss being around these kids," Wallace said, referring to EWU students.

The Easterner staff would like to thank Lt. Wallace for his exemplary service to the Eastern community and wish him and his family good luck and blessings for the future.

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10-13-95: 3:38

A purse was reported stolen from the second floor of Hargreaves.

10-13-95: 5:00pm

A wallet containing a large sum of money was found in the PUB. The individual who found the wallet called the police and gave it to them to return.

10-14-95: 9:37pm

A caller reported seeing a car drive by with its front-seat passenger lighting up what appeared to be a marijuana pipe. Cheney Police responded and stopped the car. The subject was cited at the scene and released.

10-14-95

Campus police are investigating an alleged rape that took place in Morrison Hall. There is a person of interest in the case, but Lt. Tom McGill would not release any further details of the incident until the investigation is completed.

Compiled by Anthony Bruner

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## Maintenance

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Allers and his crew are the new Townhouse apartments. Allers indicates the maintenance problems in the apartments are piling up, referring to a stack of about 30 work orders he says have all come from the apartments in the past week. He attributes a lot of the problems to shoddy workmanship on the part of the contractors who built the apartments.

Allers isn't alone in decrying

the condition of the buildings on campus. Jerry Galm, the director of Archeological and Historical Services (AHS) says the electrical wiring in Monroe Hall where AHS offices are located is so bad that the electricity simply shuts off periodically. "We're tripping the breakers almost twice a week, sometimes daily," reports Galm. "My great concern is a fire because of the electrical problems," says Galm, adding that AHS has lost computer equipment as a result

of power surges in the building.

Other maintenance problems pointed out by Allers include leaking roofs and windows in Morrison and Streeter Halls, which have left some dorm rooms uninhabitable; bulging walls from water seepage in the bathrooms of those dorms; cracked sidewalks which Allers says could impede wheelchair access to some buildings on campus; tiles falling off the outside walls of Dressler Hall; and water seeping through the walls

of Senior Hall when the lawn is watered. "These examples are just the tip of the iceberg," says Allers.

Rich Gibb, EWU director of facility planning, construction and maintenance says the problem isn't Allers or his staff. "Jim and his crew are doing an excellent job keeping up with the maintenance at this university," Gibb reports.

Gibb maintains the administration is trying to do the best it can with the money it receives

from the state. "We have multi-million dollar infrastructure projects going on that people can't see," says Gibb, citing utility lines, water lines, sidewalks and parking lots as examples.

But Allers explains "I just feel overwhelmed. I see these problems and I notify engineering or try to get service orders for capital projects and I hear absolutely nothing back about the requests. We're trying to keep up, but what can I do?"

## Child Care

from page 1

children first," explains CWU's Early Childhood Program Manager Janie Charlton. "We take faculty and staff children, but of the 73 children we have enrolled all but nine are students."

Central's child care operation is housed in a converted recreation building made available by the university. University Housing charges a nominal fee to defer the cost of utilities, maintenance and janitorial services which they provide.

Three permanent staff members are assisted by 18 part-time student employees. Central allocated \$58,000 from S & A Fees for 1995/96 to support their child-care facilities.

Program Manager Jules

McLeland has worked for 21 years at Western Washington University's child development center, a program that first began in 1972.

"The child development center recently relocated to a larger facility on the ground floor of one of our dormitories, and we underwent a \$500,000 remodeling project three years ago," says McLeland.

In her position, McLeland supervises four Early Childhood Specialists and 22 part-time student employees. Students can participate in a parent co-op that will reduce their cost of child care in exchange for assistance at the center.

Western's child care center is partially supported by S & A Fees in the amount of \$77,000.

There are 54 children currently enrolled in the program.

Evergreen State College is the newest and smallest of the state's four-year institutions, beginning operation in 1976. On-campus child care has been in place since day one. Utilizing the services of 18 work study employees and student interns, Director Marilyn Corcoran and four classified staff members provide care for 48 children.

"We're very grateful for the support we get from S & A Fees," says Corcoran of the \$97,000 allocation received for 1995/96. "It helps us provide an excellent facility while keeping the cost of child care at a minimum for our students."

Several ASEWU Council members have expressed con-

cern regarding Eastern's lack of on-campus child care.

"Considering the demographics of our student population, it's absolutely absurd that Eastern doesn't have on-campus child care," said ASEWU President Justin Franke. "This is the number one student service that ASEWU could offer our student population."

Council members are working on a proposal for a preschool facility in the former bookstore location in Isle Hall. They're hopeful that arrange-

ments can be made for a child care center in the same area.

Finance Vice President Greg McAllister is a vocal opponent of the current ASEWU \$51,000 child care subsidy program.

"I knew there was a better way of providing assistance for our students with child care needs," said McAllister. "We always seem to be trying to reinvent the wheel around here. Only later do we notice that others are providing the same service in a way that's much more practical and efficient."

## ASEWU Council funds "Project Peephole"

John Conway  
Staff Writer

"Project Peephole" topped the list of supplemental budget requests approved by the ASEWU Council at their weekly meeting.

"It represents a fairly large cash outlay," said Finance Vice President Greg McAllister as he introduced the budget request, "but I wouldn't recommend that this Council ever turns away a request for a safety issue."

The supplemental budget application requested \$4,500 for the purchase of security peepholes that would be installed in each of the about 900 campus resident hall dorm rooms.

The need for additional safety measures became apparent during Spring Quarter last year when the University Police were notified that a female resident had been sexually assaulted in her dorm room. During that incident, an intruder forced his way into the victim's room as she opened door to investigate his repeated knocking

"Housing and Residential Life

has agreed to cover the cost of installing [the peepholes] if we purchase them," said McAllister.

"We're not in the business of providing capital projects," said President Justin Franke after the request was approved, but, he explained, "This issue has been a high priority for some time, but it always seems to get pushed to the back burner. This will correct a long overlooked concern for our dorm residents. Therefore, this is a very legitimate ASEWU expenditure."

In other business, a \$500 allocation will provide signs at all campus telephones that inform students how to contact the Campus Patrol's Eagle Escort service and a \$750 supplemental budget was granted to the Masters of Social Work organization.

The following organizations received allocations from the clubs and organizations supplemental travel budget: EWU Cheerleaders, \$800; Panhellenic, \$796; Men's and Women's Volleyball Club, \$2,110.

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- 2pm Whitworth college theatre presents William Shakespear's "Measure for Measure". \$5, \$4 for students. Call 466-4225 for information.
- 4pm Harp Festival Concert at St. Johns Cathedral (12th & Grand). 30 harps will perform together. Donations.
- 8pm Movie: Apollo 13, \$1.50

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THURSDAY

- 12pm Breathing life into ourselves: Sisters surviving Abusive Experiences. Womens Studies Center-Speaker Dr. Vala Ray Irvin, Monroe Hall 114
- 6pm Leonard Nimoy will be live Online. Electronic Web Address: <http://www.loci.com>
- 6:30pm Spotlight Homecoming Parade. bring your flashlights, 1st Street
- 7:30pm Bed Races & Eagle Pep Rally, 1st Street
- 9pm-Midnight Homecoming Street Dance, Downtown Cheney

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MONDAY

- Beginning of National Adult Immunization Awareness week
- 9am JFK Library Tour. George Barnett, 359 2263 for more info.
- 12pm H.O.M.E. Single Parent Support Group, PUB 302
- 7:30pm True Crime Writer, Ann Rule, reads from her latest work: Dead By Sunset. Auntie's Bookstore. Call 838-0206 for information.

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FRIDAY

- Painting & Photography by Michael Smith at Equinox Cafe. Have a great lunch and a Latte while you admire his work (See coupon pg 12)
- 12pm Party Tips, Monroe Hall 114
- 1pm Movie: Apollo 13 \$1.50
- 11:30am Special Effects Wizard Dragon Dronet discusses the tricks of the trade. SFCC SUB. Call 534-3558
- 7:30pm (come early for good seats) Homecoming Royalty Contest, Showalter Aud. \$3

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TUESDAY

- 12pm Video "Warning: the media may be dangerous to your health", Monroe 114
- 4pm Intramural Punt, Pass, & Kick, Field 2, \$1. Soccer 2 person shootout, Field 3, \$1
- 4:15pm ASEWU Council Meeting, Spokane Center Room 208
- 6pm Intramural 4 on 4 Volleyball
- 7pm Reggae at The Big Dipper with Planetary Refugees \$3 call 747-8036

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SATURDAY

- Apple Festival in Greenbluff, every weekend in October
- 9am PUB Grand Opening & Dedication
- 10am Homecoming Brunch
- 11:30am Pregame tailgate party, food ct, Woodward
- 1:05pm Homecoming football game, EWU vs N. Arizona. Homecoming King and Queen to be announced at half time
- 4:30pm Post Game Party, PUB
- Movie: Apollo 13, \$1.50
- 9pm Homecoming "Light up/Night" Dance, Reese Ct. Free!

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WEDNESDAY

- 12pm Witches, Wise Women in early Mod. England, Dr. Elwyn Lapoint, Monroe 114
- 12pm Food, Fines, Fees, & Fix-it forum. Voice concerns and get some answers from directors of dining, housing, parking, and maintenance services, In PUB MPR
- 5pm Tex-Mex dance lessons sponsored by Mecha. LA Hall 2nd Floor. Call 359-2404 for information.
- 7pm EWU night at Spokane Arena for Chief's Hockey, \$6

## Equinox cooks up fresh food and atmosphere at EWU

by Darla Hussey  
staff writer

Wanna see a neat trick? How about turning a lamp into a coffeehouse?

John Gravbrot and Bruce Bailey, the owners of **Equinox Coffeehouse Cafe** have done just that, and without the help of Houdini or David Copperfield.

Located right across the street from Showalter at 418 College, Equinox is now open and serving espresso drinks, homemade meatless lunches, absolutely yummy desserts and more.

The food at Equinox is absolutely delicious. It is all made from scratch every day using the freshest ingredients the guys can find. The food is mostly vegetarian, with some vegan (free of all animal products) offerings, but they will soon add some meat dishes. Lunch is served from 11-2 and consists of a large bowl of homemade soup or pasta with bread for about \$4.00. Besides lunch, they cook up lots of delectable baked

goods every day - their peach muffins with extra vanilla come highly recommended.

and very cool, the student art is intended to offer patrons an unjaded look at new art, and

the owners are adding new things every day to keep the entire concept of the place novel.

Service is another big priority for John and Bruce. They offer top-notch service to their patrons that goes beyond food. One service they offer is a place for student groups to meet, free of charge. They want to

give students an opportunity to escape the institutional atmosphere of the meeting places on campus. The EWU chapter of Amnesty International has already taken advantage of this, scheduling regular meetings there every Monday at noon. A couple of other organizations, like the

sociology club and the business fraternity have also met there. The comfortable furniture, relaxed ambiance, and sectioned-off rooms make it an ideal place for groups to get together.

Another service offered to Eastern students is a place to display artwork, and sell it if they wish. Eastern art student Michael Smith is currently showing his work, which consists of photography and painting. Any student wanting to exhibit should make an appointment with Bruce, who approves all artwork.

Other services offered include free coffee cards, a discount if you bring your own cup, free delivery of anything they offer, lunch specials, and holiday events (look out for Halloween!). They also plan to bring in some live acoustic music and perhaps add a gift shop in the near future.

But what about the lamp? Well, that's a story you'll just have to ask Bruce to tell.



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## Eagle Voices:

We asked EWU freshman: "Are you aware of the EWU's liberal arts enrichment courses that will be required of your graduating class, and how do you feel about that?"

Photos and reporting by Jessica Johnson



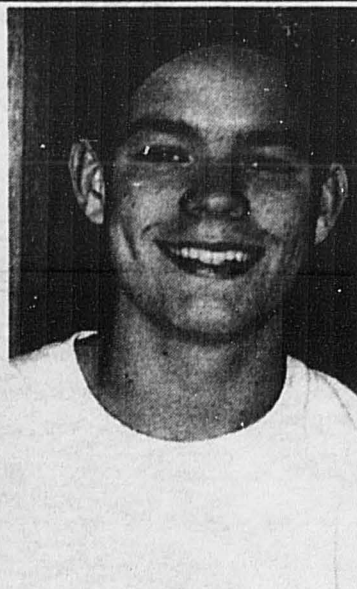
Casey Harvis  
undeclared major

"The University has its requirements, you either do them or you don't."



Heidi Kroiss  
education

"Liberal arts reform is good, if you haven't picked your major yet, you get to see what a lot of different classes are. If you know what you want to do it's a waste of time."



Joe Berghof  
economics of finance

"I think that we should be able to take the classes we want instead of having to do what they say. We should focus on our majors."



Angela Collins  
criminal justice

"The whole purpose of the liberal arts program was to well-round us and make us more aware of different cultures and different arts, but that was mainly their goal in four years of high school. They can't really do it in one year at a University."



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## EWU hosts 54 history bigwigs

Robert Baldwin  
Staff Writer

Beginning today, the EWU history department will be sponsoring the 27th annual Northwest Conference on British Studies (NWCBS). This event will last the better part of three full days, and will include lectures on a variety of topics by 54 presenters. The presentations will all be related to British Studies, ranging from the contemporary to ancient history.

The NWCBS will be held at the Ridpath Hotel.

Martin Seedorf, head of the Eastern history department and a local authority on British Studies, will be this year's program chair.

In addition to the 54 presenters and over 80 participants, more than 300 people are expected to attend the conference. Speakers as well as attendants will come from all over the western United States and Canada.

Anyone interested in attending any part of the conference should contact Martin or Rita Seedorf through the history department.

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**Erin Corday  
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Jon Welge  
Entertainment Editor

Strumming and stopping, finger-picking and harmonizing, like crying, laughing and loving. Sweeping vistas in the yellow of sunset, profound towering snowcaps in the rain, **Erin Corday** sees it all: the pain and joy of existence. This is why her new CD is so overpoweringly real and deep.

Erin Corday is bringing her melodic voice and guitar, along with her happy humming percussionist, all the way from Bellingham to headline at The Met, 8pm Nov. 4.

Corday, whose latest CD, *Secret About the World*, received positive feedback from various Seattle music



# Erin Corday



gurus, is signed with Waterbug Records. On the album, producers at Waterbug allowed her brilliant mix of vocal melodies and Michael Hedges-esque guitar progressions to remain unchanged.

She wouldn't have it any

other way. Her poetic lyrics are well-placed, subtle, and intensely meaningful.

True to her form, the album is mostly live, performed with percussionist Joel Litwin. The recording effectively captures their unique

brand of synergistic spontaneity.

"On my first album, I kinda let everybody tell me what to do. This time, instead of layering and using click-tracks, I just played and sang every song. On ten tracks, I didn't change a thing," reflects Corday. "Joel and I have an ensemble going and we just re-adjust. Five songs are live. Others have minimal overdubbing."

Her authentic, straightforward lyrics are an obvious complement to her recording style.

"What I like about the album is that if a person likes us live, they'll probably like the album," says Corday.

A resident of Bellingham, Corday is influenced by music from all over.

"I like Marta Sebestyen's *Apocrypha* and other stuff - weird Hungarian rhythms and singing," explains Corday. "And Brazilian music, Sertão music. I figured out how to play Sertão on guitar; it was a neat exercise with Latin-based lines."

Corday developed a distinct philosophy in regard to live performances.

"I like the feel of rock, but not the attitude. I like the performing style of folk music - It's personal. I like it best when a performer does their thing and plays, so I just try to get inside the songs as much as I can," she says.

Corday continues, "Sometimes [when rehearsing] we play one song for 30 minutes

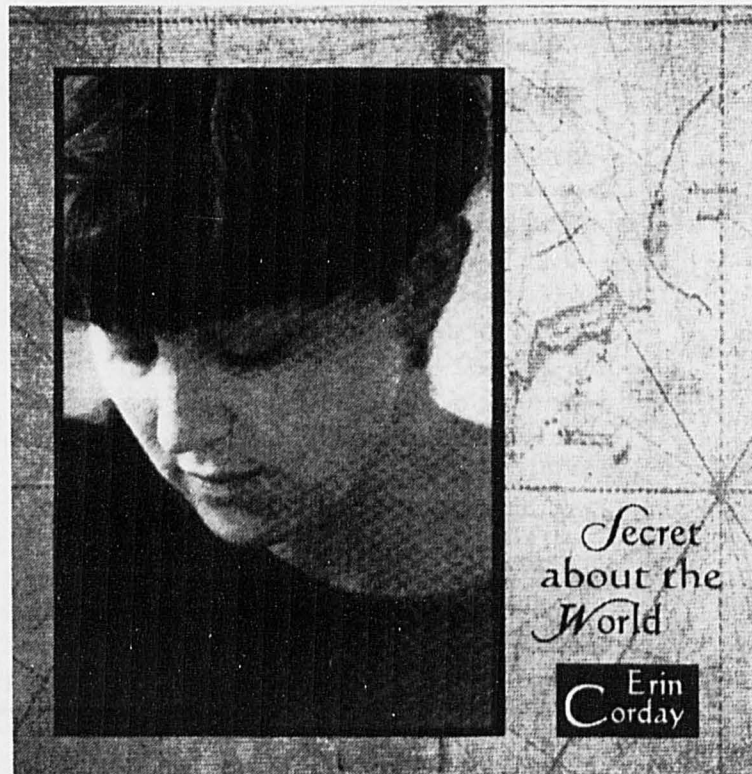
and get completely tight, and [the music] becomes completely non-verbal - like a picture. And you can make it more perfect. It's completely non-verbal."

The guitar with flute accompaniment on track four of her CD, called "Only," breaks into a simple but inspiring instrumental which underlines the mood of the song. It's nice how this highly emotional progression isn't fast in meter. In many places in her album, she adds a great deal by omitting the obvious and keeping things going at a relatively moderate pace.

Corday's ensemble is so captivating, it overpowers. At times, her music inspires a

feeling of helplessness, similar to the experience one gets treading water at the base of a huge ocean wave about to crash. At the last moment before engulfment, one realizes how ominous the sea is, and how insignificant, fragile, and mortal we all are. Perhaps metaphorically, we are always treading. For a short period, we keep from drowning in an ocean of people that doubles in size every ten years. And for a millisecond in time, we learn, love, and live. Corday's music is as deep as music comes. It touches the soul.

*Secret About the World* is now available at most area record stores.





## Mercury Rev to tour Pacific Northwest

**Jon Welge**  
Entertainment Editor

Tweet, twing, a humma mumma, bwecceert, a humma.

Nah, it can't be read.

One really needs to hear the New York alternative rock scene's Mercury Rev in order to understand their music.

Rev's latest release, "See You On the Other Side," graciously extends a hand to those looking for an tasteful and intelligent alternative to alternative rock.

"On this record, we wanted to take (our sound) into the realm of the spiritual side," said Grasshopper, who manipulates guitars, plays clarinet and creates sounds for the five piece Mercury Rev. "We wanted it to sound orchestrated."

The album exerts an edgy feeling, employing unusual instruments, odd sounds, and stylishly mixing them in an attempt to break new ground musically.

"Remember the pop music that got played in the 70's? Wasn't there always something weird in it?" asked Grasshopper, whose believes his band didn't sacrifice creativity for popularity. "On this album, we pretty much did what we wanted. That may hurt us in the end when we haven't sold billions."

"See You On the Other Side" it not for everybody. For moments, the album follows horns with guitar and visa-versa. However, through the experimentalism, the melody remains intact. The treble instruments are tempered and well mixed so they're not overwhelming or redundant. The sound is sometimes immediately groovy and somewhat unpredictable. The album concept is not new (Pink Floyd's "Dark Side of the Moon" was first), but the music is distinctly original.

"The other side' is like, if you pass away, that's where you'd go. We have brief glimpses of it here on Earth," cited Grasshopper. "(The feeling is) almost unconscious."

Mercury Rev, which starts touring next week, plays the Pacific Northwest sometime this November. Grasshopper jumps for road gigs.

"There's cool people everywhere," he said. "Down south, Chicago, Minneapolis... Spain."

Although the hopster himself was born near Buffalo, the band began in London. They successfully sold their special breed of music through an English record label before signing with Sony in New York.

In his spare time, Grass-

hopper talks to no-name journalists in Washington (the state?) from his beautiful Manhattan Island suite (actually, it could be a one-room tenement) in an effort to create a market for his bands latest creative endeavor. Realistically, the musical invertebrate knows it requires massive amounts of hard work to reach the point where one's work is one's hobby, and perhaps even one's passion. Apparently, Mercury Rev worked through the hard times.

"I used to work at this recycling place. I'd come in hung over to work on Saturday and wear these huge rubber gloves ... with the awful smell of those recycled beer cans," told "Hops". "I've cleaned up law offices, even in the bathroom. I worked at a Buffalo Zoo, which was cool. I kept going. When we made our record, we put every penny into it - like \$6000.00. We got good reviews in England."

Incidentally, Grasshopper received his nickname from his old soccer coach who called the man who came to be known as "Grasshopper," "Grasshopper," after David Caradine's character in the TV series, "Kung Fu."

"(Coach) thought I was laid back, and Zen like," he admitted Shao-lin monkishly. "So he called me 'Grasshopper.'"

Coincidentally, the bush-dwelling delicacy seemed real "down to earth." It's no surprise Rev's music is honest and in-touch.

# "STRANGE DAYS:" A BIT TOO REAL FOR COMFORT



**Jason Graham**  
Movie Correspondent

## Starring:

**Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Lewis, Angela Bassett, Michael Wincott**

## Written by:

**James Cameron**

## Directed by:

**Katheryn Bigelow**

What will the world be like near the turn of the century? Will the Apocalypse fall upon us? Strange days takes us to the last few days of the century, where street-corner Santa Clauses get mugged, racial tensions are high, and the L.A. Police Department keeps order with sheer brute force.

Ralph Fiennes portrays Lenny Nero, a street smuggler with a taste for "Playback". Playback is a glimpse of where "Virtual Reality" could be in the near future. People wear small devices on their heads which record all of their sensations onto tiny discs. Those discs can then be played by other people who want to experience those sensations. If you can dream it, Lenny Nero can hook you up. Sex, robberies, and car chases are just Lenny's standard fare; he sells Play-

back to rich people who don't care to take the kind of visceral risk that would tarnish their wedding rings. Leave it to James Cameron (creator and director of the Terminator series) to bring "Virtual Reality" to the big screen in a believable form.

Things get serious when one of Lenny's human recorders turns up dead. Lenny receives a disc which recorded her killing from the murderer's point of view; it is simply one of the most chilling things I have ever seen in a movie. The murderer keeps taunting Lenny, who with some help from a close friend, Mason (Bassett) is trying to protect his ex-girlfriend (Juliette Lewis) who also might be in danger. As the mystery unfolds, Lenny begins to realize that he can trust no one.

The movie is long, but it doesn't drag on at all. The setting is very dark however, so if you are violently revolted by "The Crow" or "Bladerunner" then I wouldn't recommend this movie.

"Strange Days" carries some strong messages. It points out that maybe you cheat yourself when you steal someone else's experiences. As Mason puts it "Memories fade; they're built that way for a reason."

This movie is more than just an action/thriller; it is social commentary, and perhaps a vision of what the year 2000 might bring us ... Maybe it is not too late to change.



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# One for All 4 One

Chris Taylor  
Entertainment Writer

All 4 One, the smash-hit, four-man vocal group, hit the Spokane Opera House Wednesday the 11th. And they hit hard. Their mix of soft and fast songs and high and low harmony made the night one terrific surprise after another. Their suave sex appeal and killer moves gave the audience something great to watch as well as listen to. All 4 One put on a spell-binding performance; they had the crowd on its feet the whole night through.

All 4 One's act is a variety show - a bunch of different kinds of songs (most of them love songs) put together in



All 4 One launches Spokane romantics into frenzy.

different ways. The men - Delious, Jamie Jones, Alfred Nevez, and Tony Borowiak - gave the crowd

everything they wanted and more: Flawless singing and an exciting stage presence. Their voices blended into perfect

harmony and held the audience in their spell.

The show commenced with a fast beat as the group burst onto the stage with their hit "Skills". It was the first of many fast-paced, heart-pounding songs, with dance steps to match. The men never stopped moving! Lights flashed as fast as the men moved.

The crowd was already in a frenzy before the group even came on stage, and their enthusiasm just kept growing. Everyone was standing and shaking and screaming at everything they did.

In the next sequence, All 4 One mellowed quite a bit. The backdrop changed to a

street corner scene. The group sat together, and sang a few *a cappella* versions of some 50s and 60s doo-wop. They ended the sequence by teasing the audience into "voting" to hear their hit rendition of "So Much In Love." It was a landslide mandate.

Then, the scenery changed to a cafe setting for a few soft, deep melodies. The guys were decked out in tuxes, and sang songs that really showed off the range of their vocal talents. Joining the background at cafe tables were the eight winners of a contest held by 93 Zoo FM. They added to the imagery, and gave the singers a unique vantage point from which to perform. Among these songs was the soon-to-be-released single, "I'm Your Man", a moving song sure to reach Number 1.

Finally, the surroundings changed to a starlit scene, perfect for a serenade. The songs of this set were full of emotion and sentiment. In one song, "Oh Girl", they brought out another young lady and sang to her. In one of the most astounding parts of the whole show, all four men got down on bended knee for her. It was one heck of a romantic gesture that caught everyone by surprise. These songs were probably the audience favorites - each number got a round of applause greater than the last.

Their final song, "Love You Like That," just wasn't enough for the rabid audience. All 4 One reappeared for an encore, "I Swear", and left the stage to cheers that nearly knocked the roof off!

The All 4 One concert was one great show, a vibrant and touching performance that never stopped moving. The men thrilled the audience every step of the way. Everybody left revved up and full of praise for the fantastic event, and the megatalented singers that gave it to them.

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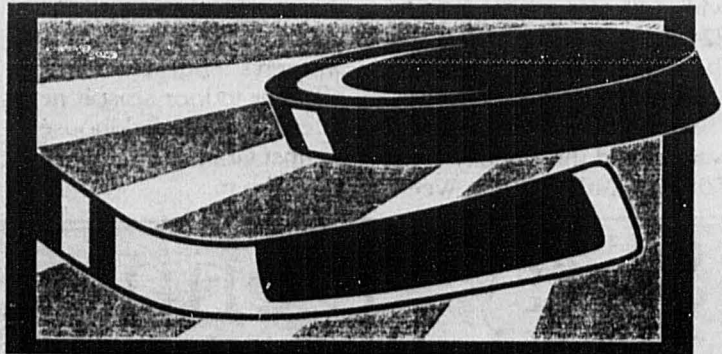
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## HOMECOMING HAPPENS

**Dan Garcia**  
Entertainment Writer

A highlight of this week's homecoming activities will be tonight's Homecoming parade at 6:30 p.m. on 1st Street. Bed Races and an Eagle Pep Rally will take place in front of Showie's

after the parade. A street dance will follow at approximately 9 p.m. and continuing until midnight, also at the 1st Street location in front of Showies.

Friday night's festivities will include the annual Homecoming Royalty Pageant. The

pageant will be held in the Showalter Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. The price of admission for this event is \$3.00. Come watch Eastern's fairest compete for the titles of Homecoming King and Queen.

Before the game against Northern Arizona, come for good food and fun at the Tailgate Party and Food Court. The party will start at 11:30 a.m. and continue through the game. The Homecoming game will kickoff at 1 p.m. with our Eagles taking on the Lumberjacks from Northern Arizona University.

At game halftime, the coronation of this year's King and Queen will conclude the pageant. After the game, a post-game party will be held in the PUB at approximately 4:30 p.m.

The last Homecoming event will be the Homecoming dance held at Reese Court starting at 9 p.m.. The dance is free and will continue until 1 a.m. This year's theme is "Light Up The Night." All students are encouraged to attend all of the Homecoming festivities.

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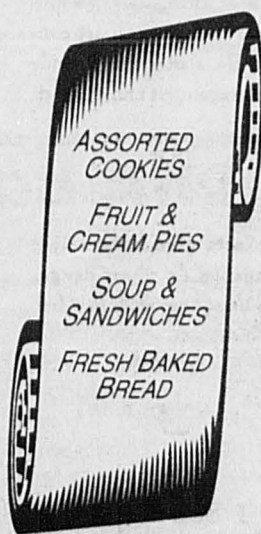
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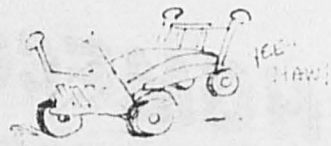
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# Eastern women volley to first win

David C. Edwards  
Sports Writer

It was a night of streaks for the Lady Eag's last Tuesday, as they finished the three-game home stand with an impressive win over the Gonzaga Bulldogs.

The Eag's crushed GU in three straight games by 15-10, 15-7, and 15-7. Eastern took a 7-0 lead in game one, then scored the final five points of the game for the win.

After the score was tied at two, Eastern scored the next eight straight points to open a 0-2 lead, and cruised to an easy victory.

Finally, in game three Eastern scored the last eight points of the match to pull away from a 7-7 tie.

Tuesday's victory avenged the Eagles season opening defeat to the Bulldogs. Sophomore Kim Exner led the way for the Eagles with 12 kills. Toni Schwinn and

Angela Frederick added 14 digs apiece in the victory.

The Eagles struggled to find that elusive first Big Sky Conference victory over the weekend at Reese Court, as they dropped two more matches, first to the Montana State University Bobcats, then to University of Montana Grizzlies.

Friday night looked like the night they would grab that first BSC win of the season, as they split the first two games (8-15, 15-10) against the Montana State Lady Bobcats.

EWU had a chance to take a 2-1 game lead in the match as they lead 12-10 in game three, but MSU rattled off the next five points for the back-breaking defeat. Montana State took game four and the match with a score of 15-8.

On Saturday, in front of 572 enthusiastic fans, the Eagles lost to the Lady Griz in three straight games 15-9, 15-9, and 15-11.

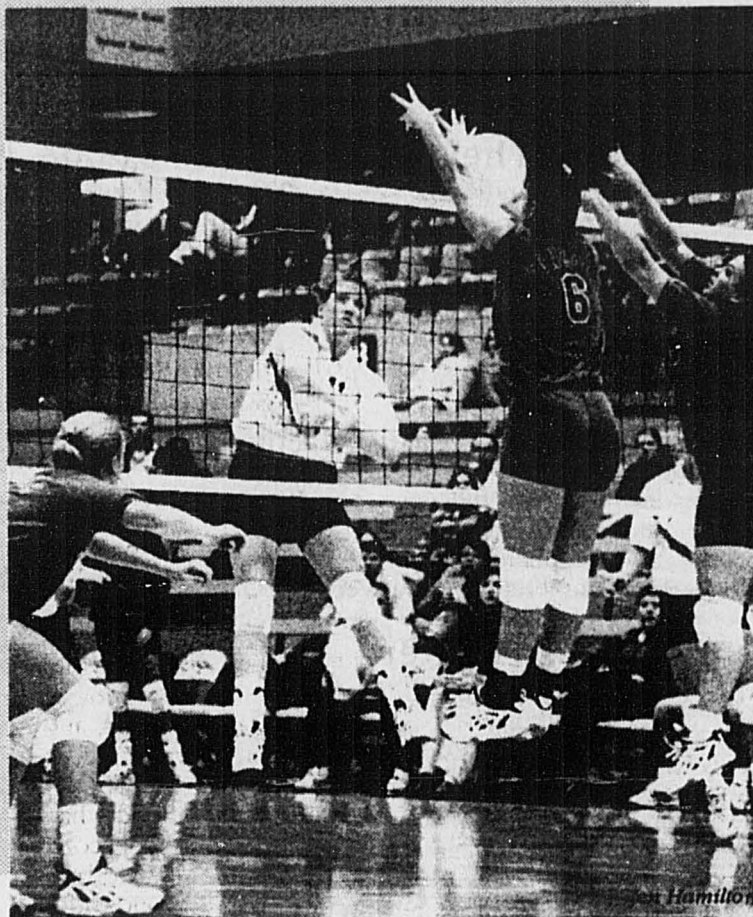
But don't let the scores fool you. The Eag's played with heart! Down 8-2 in game three, the Eagles came soaring back, scoring the next five points to narrow the gap to one.

Eastern would eventually tie the game at nine, and then again at ten. Unfortunately, Montana scored five of the final six points of the game for the victory.

Senior Kellie Glaus lead Eastern with 22 kills and 21 digs, and junior Jamie Dotson added 62 assists (46 vs. MSU) over the weekend.

Eastern will try to pick up their first BSC win on the road this weekend as they travel to Idaho State and Boise State for their second meeting of the year.

When Idaho State and Boise State came to Cheney last month the Eagles gave them a run for their money as they took ISU to five games and BSU to four.



EWU spikes past Gonzaga.

## Sports Shorts

David C. Edwards  
Sports Writer

The Eastern Washington women's golf team finished fifth at the Big Sky Championships in Bozeman, Montana with a score of 1006. Montana State won a three-team play-off to earn the 1995 Big Sky Women's Golf Championship.

EWU's Brooke Hanford finished in a tie for fourth with a three-round score of 240. Her best round was a 79. Jen McGregor of Montana State University won the individual title with a score of 229.

The men's golf team finished fourth at the championships, with a score of 918. Boise State University won the team title by two strokes over Weber State, with a score of 893. Eastern's Scott Carroll finished sixth overall in the tournament, with a three-round score of 224. Ryan Deiro of BSU took the individual title with a score of 216.

Sophomore Nick Rogers was named the Big Sky Cross Country Athlete of the Week

last Thursday. Nick led Eastern to a seventh-place finish at the

Sundodge Invitational in Seattle with a time of 25 minutes, 54 seconds over the 8 kilometer course. His time was good enough for 20th place overall. This past weekend Nick improved his time from Seattle's meet by a minute and 46 seconds (24:08); he was the top collegiate finisher at the Eastern Washington University Invitational meet at the Finch Arboretum in Spokane.

EWU's Jon Murray finished second with a time of 24:11. As a team the men placed first (out of eight teams), just one point ahead of the College of Southern Idaho. Barb Anderson was Eastern's top women's finisher at the invitational, with a time of 20:41 on the three mile course.

The Eastern Washington women's tennis team kicks off their indoor season next Tuesday in the fieldhouse against Gonzaga University at 5:30 p.m.

## Sorry, Dennis!

Last week, The Easterner ran a stunning photo of Eastern star Running Back Joe Sewell. As I laid out the sports page, I thought to myself, "Photogod Mike Smith did one heck of a job snappin' that baby."

Although it's true Smith is an excellent photographer, apparently Dennis

Lunstroth, the original Easterner Photogod, snapped the shot.

Dennis, please accept my apology for being so absent-minded. I realize you photographer types put a lot of hard work into getting great shots. Good work deserves proper recognition!

-JBW, 10/19/95

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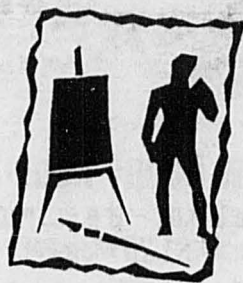
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## EWU Football looking for Big Sky win

Annette Griffus  
Sports Writer

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One offense in the Big Sky Conference. Apply at Eastern Washington University.

The Eastern Eagles football team put out the call, but are still searching for their first conference win after suffering a 37-10 loss against the Idaho Vandals (2-3) Saturday in Moscow.

EWU is 2-4 overall, 0-3 in the Big Sky and in the midst of a four-game losing streak.

"We haven't been able to throw the ball," said Head Coach Mike Kramer. "Last week [we] didn't have enough time (to pass)." Kramer stated that the Eagle pass protection didn't hold up to the Vandals; as a consequence they were dominated offensively.

EWU Quarterback Brian Sherick was 11 for 27 and had two interceptions. His longest pass completion of the day was to David Lewis for 19 yards in the first half.

Coach Kramer's interest lies

in getting the offense (which managed 132 total yards) clicking earlier in the games and produce all day.

The Eagles' three drives of the first quarter ended in a fumble and a pair of punts.

U of I lit up the scoreboard first when Quarterback Eric Hisaw ran the ball 33 yards for a touchdown at the end of the first quarter.

Derek Strey tied the game for the Eagles, in the second quarter when he broke a record by running 95 yards for a touchdown after picking off Hisaw's pass.

Strey broke a 46-year Eagles record for interception returns which previously held at 91 yards.

Later in the second quarter, Hisaw and Receiver Dwight McKinzie combined for a 19-yard touchdown pass, and Hisaw ran in a six-yard score to put the Vandals up 21-7.

The Eagles added what would be their final score on a Tom Zurfluh 28-yard field goal with 39 seconds left in the first half.

Idaho's Montel Williams escaped the Eagles special teams with a 93-yard touch-down on the ensuing kickoff to make the score 27-10 going into halftime.

Idaho continued their domination in the second half when they added a field goal and another touchdown to finish the scoring. The Vandals smacked the Eagles defense for 534 total yards, averaging 7.2 yards per play.

EWU faces Northern Arizona in Woodward Stadium at 1:05 p.m. for this Saturday's Homecoming game. Kramer looks forward to playing the Lumberjacks because of their inexperience on natural grass.

"They're a dome team that plays on artificial turf," he said. "Playing on natural grass can be a hindrance," Kramer explained.

The Eagles lead the all-time series against NAU 7-5, with three victories in the last four meetings. EWU is 4-1 in home games against the Lumberjacks.

## Women's soccer kicked

Women's soccer put off another year ...again

Dan Garcia  
Sports Writer

According to the 1994 Eastern Football Press Guide, women's soccer was to be added in the Fall of 1995 as part of the gender equity program. But when you look at the press guide for the fall of 1995, the same line is printed with the year 1996 in place of 1995. What happened over the span of one year that would delay women's soccer?

One reason is that the Big Sky Conference decided to hold off on adding women's soccer for another year. That delayed Eastern's process by a year also.

According to John Johnson, Eagle Athletic Director, Eastern is currently advertising its search for a head coach for the women's soccer team. The hiring date for a new coach is December 1. This will allow the new coach to recruit a team and acquire the necessary equipment during the winter. This team, however, will not have much practice time before playing in actual Big Sky Competition next fall.

The playing field for the soccer team will be located on the old baseball field. This is not to be confused with Ed Chissus Field which is now home to the club baseball team. The new soccer field will be near the tennis courts, behind the Phase, near the practice football fields.

Now we only have to figure out when this will happen. Jamie Ardebach came to Eastern in the Fall of '93 believing that Eastern was going to have a soccer program. She was told repeatedly by administration that a coach was hired and that the program was starting. She was encouraged to hang in there and wait for practice to begin. For Jamie, practice will never begin. Jamie was on the mailing list for prospective players for the first two years she was here. This year, Jamie was left off of the soccer mailing list.

That gesture led Jamie to believe once again that she was being lied to by the administration. Jamie will no longer participate in any soccer activity at the varsity level here at EWU. She hasn't lost her enthusiasm for soccer, but Jamie is too bogged down with classes and other activities to continue to wait for something that has yet to become a reality.

"It's irritating for a lot of people because it was expected to happen, and it never did. A lot of girls came here to play soccer, and they've been waiting around for nothing. Some of us could have gone elsewhere to play, but we stayed here because there was always the promise of next year," Jamie said. "I could have played at Central, but stayed here waiting for this team to become reality. If they [the administration] would have given me a straight answer, then I wouldn't be as upset, but they kept telling me that it was happening all along."

Jamie Ardebach's story isn't an isolated incident. Another female athlete attended Eastern in the Fall of '94 expecting to play soccer. She is no longer a student at Eastern. She chose to leave EWU and go somewhere that she could play soccer.

We'll wait and see what happens with the soccer program. A coach should be hired by December 1, and recruiting should start on December 2. Will that become another promise that isn't fulfilled, or will we finally get the soccer program that has been so long-awaited? For Jamie it's too late, but others just might have the opportunity to practice and play that was promised to her.

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## Liberal Arts Enrichment:

# It's here to stay; let's make it work

At the risk of infuriating this year's freshman class—the first class admitted under the new liberal arts enrichment reforms requiring them to take an additional 16 credits—I must say that the new curriculum requirements look to be a positive step and a defining moment in Eagle history.

In administrative terms Eastern is notorious as the home of the “place-bound” student. In layman's terms, most of us decided to attend Eastern because it is relatively cheap and close to home. But if instituted properly, the new junior and senior year curriculum requirements may fashion a new and more positive identity for Eastern Washington University.

While most area employers say they are satisfied with the technical training students receive at EWU, many more are complaining that students don't think critically. The hope is that the liberal arts reform will enable Eastern to consistently graduate critical thinkers ready for the “real world” challenges awaiting them.

Taken at face value, the new curriculum requirements may simply be an effort to appease employers, but the new curriculum has other benefits. For many students who lack the resources to attend a private university, where providing a well rounded education has long been the primary goal, the new curriculum enrichment classes may offer an affordable option.

***Under such hostile, anti-education conditions, administrators, faculty and students are going to have to work together to make sure no one is left floundering in the educational system.***

However, Eastern must not lose sight of the need for affordable education. The university, working in conjunction with its departments, must adjust the total undergraduate course requirements or allow students to acquire some of the new junior and senior year curriculum requirements in their declared majors.

Time is an important factor here, because entering freshman, unlike most of us, are saddled with the burden of trying to complete an extra quarter's worth of classes while legislators are screaming at them to get out of college in four years or else. And the Republican-controlled House is threatening to cut off subsidized student loans and freeze Pell Grants for seven years. Under such hostile, anti-education conditions, administrators, faculty and students are going to have to work together to make sure no one is left floundering in the educational system.

Immediately, Eastern's academic counseling services must respond to the challenge. Since a majority of Eastern students transfer from the Community Colleges of Spokane, it is time to set up a system that accurately and tirelessly informs area community college advisors and students of exactly what it takes to transfer to Eastern. It will no longer be acceptable that a student who has sought counseling at the community colleges and has done what they were told to do loses credits in the process.

Departments must also respond.

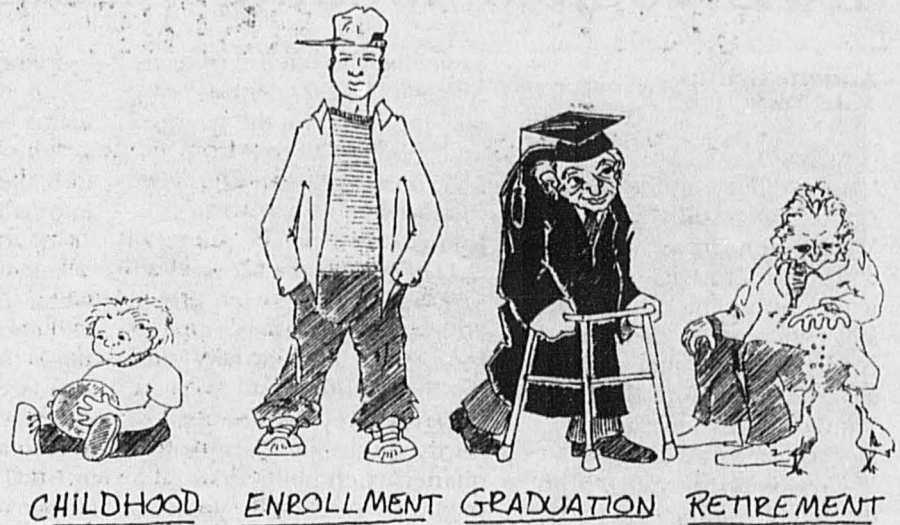
Counseling resources are already strained, and many students simply bypass those services and find a faculty member to advise them. Now more than ever it is imperative that faculty who take on this responsibility have accurate and thorough information at their disposal. The administration must work with each department to provide this information. Students can't afford an uninformed counseling session, however well-intentioned.

One specific request could help our freshmen immensely, and the student body at large: Create a system whereby faculty post accurate preview syllabi in the library, their department or on VAX. The cynic may argue that students would simply use such valuable information to pick the easiest classes. But an intellectual could argue that this is the only way a student can truly make an informed decision.

And finally, a word to the wise Freshman: While many of us had the luxury of dropping a class or two when times got tough, if you want to even *think* of graduating in four years (more likely five) you will need take extra time and care in planning your class schedules as well as work and family commitments.

April Strader/For the Editorial Board

## FOUR AGES OF THE EASTERN STUDENT:



Chris Taylor  
Staff Writer

## Don't ask, the “right” answers

As if you didn't know, the next President will be a Republican, and the Congress will once again be ruled by Republicans in '96. I mean, after the smear job they did linking every Democratic mid-term candidate to Clinton's policies, what chance do the Democrats have?

Now, don't go brushing me off as some misguided Democrat-loving liberal. I'm a 'pragmatist', which means, as Dennis Miller put it: “I hate everybody's shit.”

But what I hate most of all is that the closer we get to the next Election, the closer the Republican candidates get to the “Religious Right.”

I won't bother to name the current hopefuls, because the list will probably change next week. But you can be pretty sure they're mostly right-wing conservatives.

They are adopting the policies of, and owing favors to, organizations and people who want “God's Law” to be the Law of the Land. And it's working. People are tired of the lack of morality and drive in government, and want to vote for someone who will offer a new bandage. All of which means our next President and Congress will give the Bible and the fundamentalist interpretation of “Christian Values” a major role in their political agenda.

Be afraid. Be very afraid.

Morality is defined by those in power. And when the Religious Right is in power, they will try, as they have promised, to impart their “Christian morality” to every facet of American political and private life. ‘Inflict’ would be a better word. With enough political clout, they could very easily turn their religious doctrines into our laws.

That pesky line between Church and State could get blurry.

First off, those on the Religious Right want to make laws that will promote their beliefs. That's bad enough. But they've never bothered to take in to account how many that might hurt. In allowing school prayer, for example, they would be subjecting those kids who don't follow along (even other Christians) to taunting and ostracism. But they probably don't care who they hurt, as long as their objectives are reached.

Another problem no one's admitted to is just how contradictory laws combining faith and government obligation would be. The Right wants to abolish sex education in schools, but in doing so the government would neglect its obligation to

promote health awareness. They want to remove certain parts of a child's education deemed ‘unfavorable’, like controversial books and classes, and then they'll wonder why the country's scholastic average keeps falling.

Not only will they make laws to enforce their beliefs, they will make laws to punish or hinder those who don't fit into their religious beliefs. The Christian Coalition wants to have in law policies that would all but segregate homosexuals. The Promise Keepers are trying to slap the women's rights movement back about a hundred years. And what about the current attempts to cut single and teen mothers off Welfare, not because they abuse it or could get work, but because their lifestyles are ‘anti-family’?

But the most disgusting thing of all is still that in a few short years, the so-called the Christian Coalition and others on the Religious Right will really begin finally doing what they always wanted: Forcing their religious beliefs on others.

I consider myself a kind of ‘agnostic’, religiously and politically. I know what my beliefs are, and I'm comfortable with them. I know that other people have beliefs, lifestyles, agendas that are different from mine. And unlike the Right, I can live with that.

But not the so-called “Moral Majority.” They assign themselves the right to intrude into people's private lives, and make judgments on their beliefs.

How will the Right get into power? Simple: by campaigning on a ‘Christian values’ platform. Who's NOT going to vote for God?

I know how it feels when someone else tries to force their beliefs on you, tries to punish you for what you think when you don't agree with them. The Religious Right, and the politicians who follow their policies, want to do that to the entire country! Sure, you might be reading this and thinking “But I believe in what they're doing.” Fine then, vote for them and their policies. It's your right. But could you look into the eyes of a lone school-child feeling lost and alone while everyone else prays? Could you find a few reassuring words for some poor wretch who can't get a job, or even unemployment, because their ‘alternate lifestyle’ disqualifies them? Can you honestly say there isn't any intolerance in such a singular viewpoint? And what happens to you if your on the receiving end? If someone up top decides you're just not ‘decent’ enough for them?

I've been there. It's not pretty.

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Hats off boys:

# Miss Mara be trashin' men's passe fashion

Mara Parker  
Columnist

The other day someone asked me, "Mara, what do you find attractive in a man?" I replied, "The clothes, baby. It's all in the clothes."

As I looked around the PUB for examples of well-dressed men who personified my idea of studliness, I came up seriously short. All I saw were a bunch of guys dressed in jeans, sweatshirts or flannels, and baseball caps. Sure, there was some variation; Levis or Wranglers, team or college sweatshirts, green, red or blue flannels, plain caps or those with logos. But one thing was unmistakable as I looked out on that vast sea of shapeless conformity - Eastern men are seriously afraid of taking fashion risks.

If only they'd realize it's the man who dares to go capless, who wears chinos instead of jeans and nice sweaters instead of sweatshirts that really makes a statement and beckons sultry glances from female admirers.

Guys, it's time to trash that Eastern "uniform." It's time to show your female co-eds that you're



different from all the rest. Revel in your manly peacockery. Be a rebel, a daredevil. Take some fashion risks.

It can be scary breaking free from the pack, but don't be afraid. You don't have to transform your closet or your image overnight. Here are a few simple tips to get you started:

The easiest and perhaps most underrated way to drive a woman wild is to - dare I say - reveal those luscious locks hidden beneath your baseball cap. Any woman will tell you, there is nothing that quite compares to running her hands through a nice head of hair; silky locks softly caressing the palms and fingertips, the fragrant smell of shampoo unleashed with each gentle tug. Whether short or long, straight or curly, thinning or thick, hair is meant to be touched. Stand up. Be proud. Be a leader among Eastern men. Take off that stupid baseball hat and let your crowning glory flow freely.

But Mara, you ask, isn't the wearing of a hat a risk in itself? Well, no one can argue with the fact that hats *do* make a fashion statement. Baseball caps, however, don't count. If you insist on wearing a hat, do something unusual - wear a beret. Women *love* that foreign-man look. You may not be a true Frenchman, but at least you'll look like one. And that goes a long way in a town as culturally isolated as Cheney.

Okay, you've taken the first step; you've doffed the cap. Now it's time to do something more drastic - lose the sweatshirt and flannels. They're

sloppy and oh-so-juvenile. You want to look like the virile man that you are, not a little boy. Women aren't attracted to little boys (well, maybe some are, but that's a whole 'nother story). What to wear? Well, nothing turns a woman's head faster than a man in a fuzzy sweater. Fuzzy sweaters scream, "Touch me, touch me! I feel *really* good." It doesn't really matter which color you choose, but I suggest you avoid pastels. It's tough to strike a manly pose in a lavender pullover. And that manly, risk-taking image is everything.

The last step of your fashion makeover targets below the belt. Jeans are okay, but big baggy ones just won't do. That hip-hop, "gangsta" look is passé. Besides, they just don't show off that lean physique you've worked so hard at maintaining. If you're going to wear jeans, wear 'em tight. You want to accentuate those buttocks and, well ... er ... let's just say, *the positive*. If you are lacking in those areas, wear a long sports coat or better yet, an apron. (Women love men who know their way around a kitchen.)

These are just three simple things you can do to update your style and attract women at the same time. But it doesn't have to end here. Be creative. Have fun. Wear plaids and prints together. Wear a sparkly sash instead of a belt. (!)

Remember, any college boy can wear a cap, a sweatshirt, a flannel shirt and baggy jeans, but it takes a real man to wear a beret, a fuzzy sweater and tight pants. Go on. Take a risk. Let that *inner real man* emerge. Then take him shopping.

## Letters to the editor

### Chemistry Professor concerned with curriculum experimentation

Dear Editor,

I applaud both the efforts of Drs. McRae and Houser to start a dialogue with the EWU students (Easterner 10/5/95) and the follow up (damage control?) by Drs. Lester and Miller (Easterner 10/12/95) concerning the proposed upper division Liberal Arts "enrichment" courses due to be implemented next year.

The concept of having all future Eastern graduates take three four-credit, junior year, general education courses (which will be writing and discussion intensive and be limited to 26-30 students per section) has considerable merit. It represents an attempt to respond to suggestions from the community (i.e. possible future employers) that EWU students, although well prepared in their major field, should improve their communication skills (e.g. writing, oral presentations and team work, etc.)

However, the general education scheme as currently proposed effectively adds an extra quarter to most degree programs at a time when there is considerable pressure from the state legislators for universities to graduate their students in four years.

After conversations with some of our science majors (easily recognized as those students on campus until 5 p.m. in laboratories, on campus on Fridays and without "dead week!") on the proposed liberal arts reform, it seems to me that a more effective and cost-efficient way of introducing these upper division courses without increasing the "time-to-degree" would be to simultaneously decrease the number of required (and reformed) lower division general education courses. Currently a vast majority of the latter are "Scantron" (or multiple "guess") intensive and are hardly preparation for the type of pedagogy proposed for the junior year enrichment courses.

Significant amounts of university funds have been allocated over the past two years by the administration to fund reform of the lower division general education course so they too involve critical thinking, are writing intensive and have

about 30 students in each section and so become obvious precursors for the junior year courses. Indeed, a model for this already exists as the integrated science general education sequence.

I would suggest that the educational experience at Eastern could be significantly improved without extending the degree requirements and with the funds already allocated by implementing the proposals outlined above.

Jeff Corkill, department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

### Staff seeks student signatures at homecoming activities

Dear Editor,

This letter is an invitation to all students who are concerned about their living conditions and the poor condition of the EWU campus.

This campus is rapidly deteriorating due to the mismanagement of housing funds, resulting in cutbacks in maintenance and custodial personnel and maintenance funding. This mismanagement is a direct result of an incompetent administration.

The maintenance and custodial personnel will be conducting an informational petition signing drive during the various Homecoming events this Saturday. We would like to invite you to join us in this campaign to upgrade our campus.

Mark Drummond, his administration, and a majority of the politicians (including Governor Lowry and our own Senator Jim West) are unconcerned about this crisis, hoping that if they ignore it, it will go away. It won't.

We are not asking for higher wages; all we ask is that *somebody* in the administration have the integrity and common courtesy to explain to us why they choose to let the university fall into ruin.

Tom Balderree

## *A poem that leaves a taste*

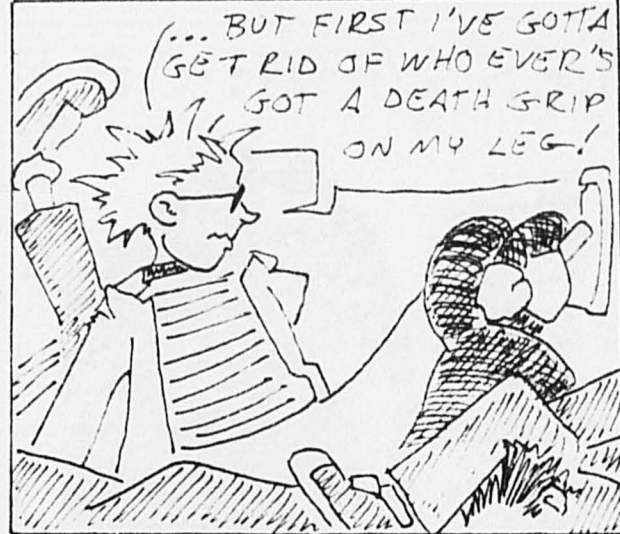
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needed to eat  
Ended up at the PUB,  
thought it'd be neat  
Gulped down some stir fry  
along with a drink  
Used dirty silverware,  
stomach started to sink  
Ran to the bathroom & started  
to vomit  
Guy walks in with a mop and  
some Comet  
I then remembered the stir fry  
I ate  
The PUB is a pigsty,  
a place that I hate  
All of my friends who eat all  
that shit  
Think of the PUB as a big  
dining pit  
Ending this poem now  
- late for class -  
all I can say is  
McDonald's  
kicks ass!!!

Matt Perron, Pearce Hall

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